

BISHOP C. R. HARRIS, D.D.

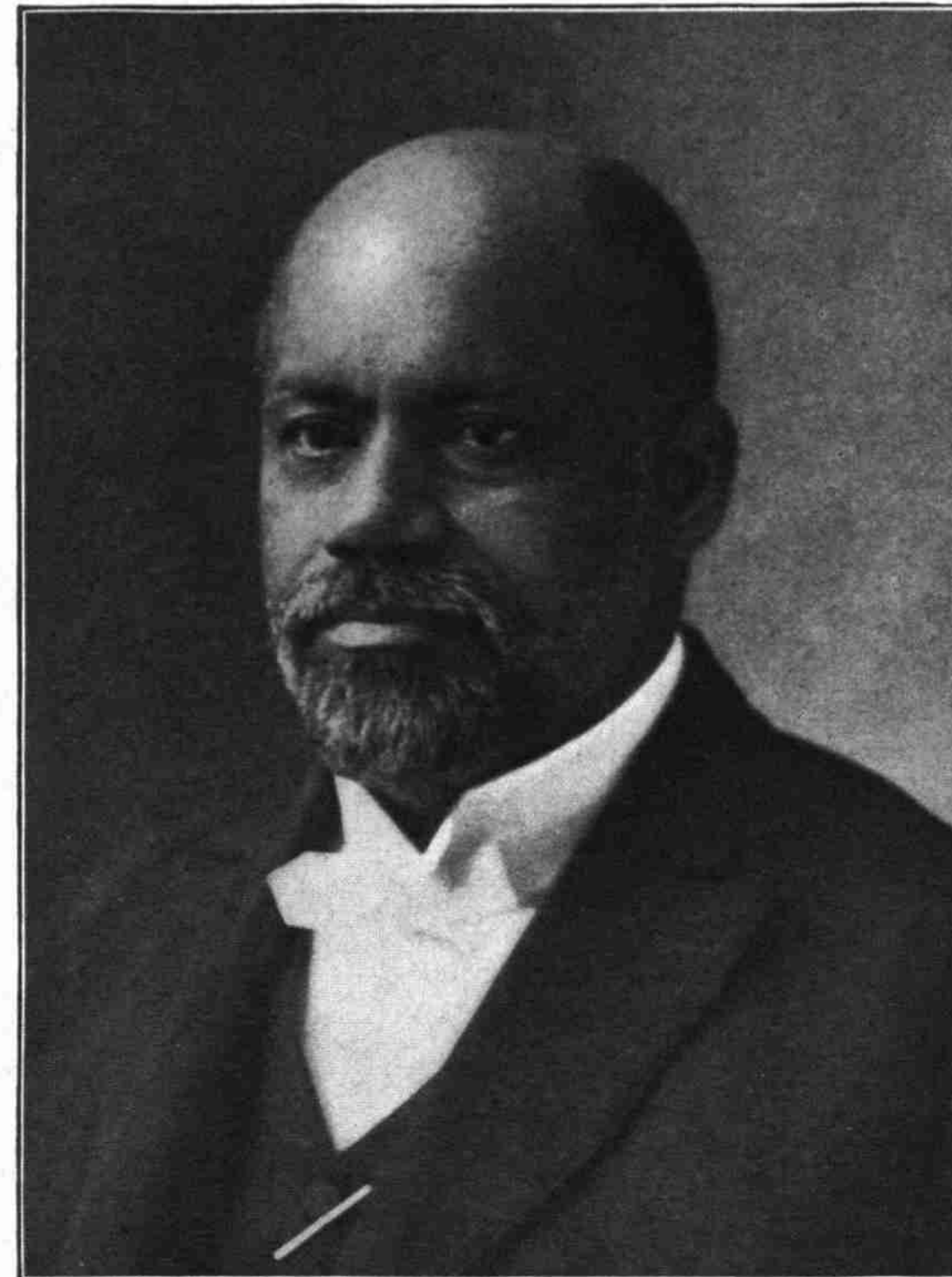
elder in 1875. He spent several years at Fayetteville as assistant to his brother, who was the founder of the North Carolina Colored Normal School.

At the General Conference in 1880 he was appointed business manager of the *Star of Zion*, the chief connectional journal of the church. His connection with the educational work of the church began with the founding of Zion Wesley Institute (now Livingstone College) at Concord, N. C., in 1879, and from that time until he was ordained bishop, in 1888, he was active in the work of the institution, either as principal, treasurer, or business manager.

In the work of the church, he was active and influential. In 1876 he was assistant to the general secretary. Two years later, he was appointed General Secretary. In 1880, he was elected general steward, holding both offices until 1884. He continued to meet the favor and recognition of the church and in 1888 was elected and consecrated bishop.

A friend writing of the bishop says: "The bishop's mind is broad and well poised. As a preacher, he is persuasive and forceful, ever laying confidence in the power of the Word. As a Methodist, is strictly orthodox, and believes in evangelistic religion, pure and simple. Holding the highest honor his church can bestow, he has merited the confidence which he has received from the church."

He was married in 1879, and Mrs. Harris has heartily joined in his efforts in the advancement of the work and interests of the church. She served for several years as matron of Livingstone College, and secretary for the Ladies' Home Mission Society of the church. Bishop Harris was honored with the degree of D.D. by Howard University, in 1891.



**Bishop Isaiah B. Scott, D.D.**  
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**Residence: Monrovia, Liberia**

BISHOP SCOTT is missionary bishop for Africa, coördinate in authority with Bishop Hartzell. He is the third Negro to be elected a missionary bishop in the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was born in Midway, Ky., in 1855, of slave parents. Through the help of a widowed mother, an older brother and Mrs. Bishop Peck, he was educated at Central Tennessee College, graduating from the classical course in 1880. He immediately entered the ministry in the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was appointed to the Nashville Circuit. He was transferred to the Texas Conference in 1881.

He was appointed presiding elder in 1887 by Bishop Bowman, serving six years, when, in 1893, he was called to the presidency of Wiley University, Marshall, Tex. Here he showed great ability in increasing the attendance at that institution and in the successful management of its financial affairs. In 1896, Dr. Scott was elected editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*. In his editorials he was fair to all concerned, and fearless in his presentations of the truth. As an editor, he was loved and honored by the entire Negro race, and is regarded as one of the best editors the race has produced. His editorials commanded the attention of leading papers of the country. He was a member of five general conferences and of two ecumenical conferences.

Dr. Scott was elected a missionary bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church for Africa at the general conference held in Los Angeles in 1904.